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NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.31

Applicant respectfully appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated December 23, 2004, in which the Office finally rejected claims 53, 56, 57, 59, 60, 63-68 and 79-82 of the above-captioned patent application.

Enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is a Petition to extend the period for replying to the final rejection for 1 month, to and including April 25, 2005 (April 23, 2005 fell on a Saturday).

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